

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Yoshiyuki ISHIKURA et al.

Application No.: 10/562,716

Confirmation No.: 9548

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Art Unit: 1629

For: PREVENTIVE OR AMELIORATING AGENT  
FOR LIVER DISEASE INVOLVING  
HEPATOPATHY

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Examiner: Z. Vakili

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to and including October 26, 2011 to respond to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2011.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with application being filed concurrently herewith.

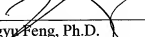
In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this

application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0573, under Order No. 047237-5022-00-US-412785.

Dated: October 21, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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